

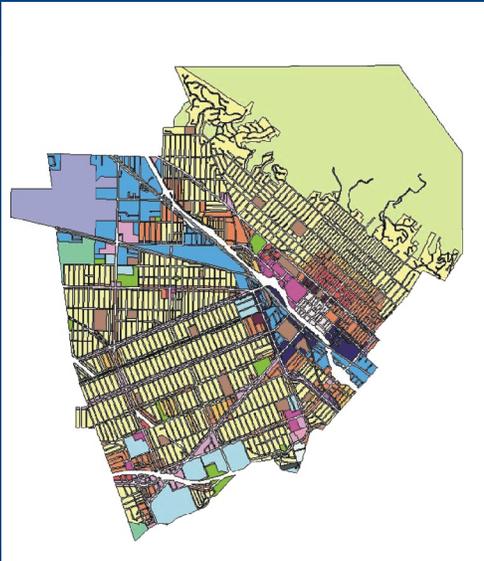


A journey of a thousand miles  
begins with a single step.

– Lao-Tzu

## Quality of Life/Sense of Community

To insure that the city retains a sense of community and quality of life characterized by permanent residency in neat, well-maintained and attractive single and multi-family neighborhoods suitable for all ages and socio-economic groups.



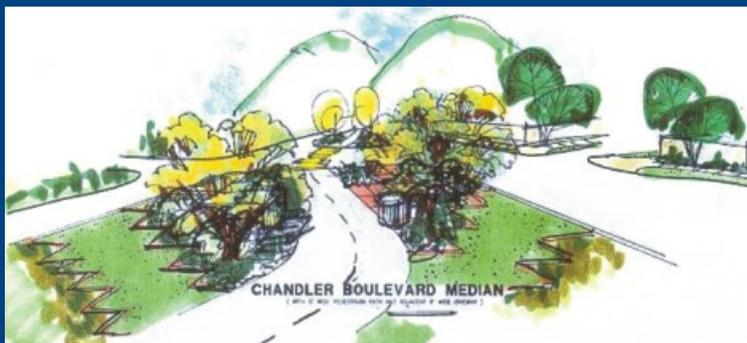
Several elements of the General Plan are scheduled to be updated during the next decade. This is an important document which is used as a policy guide for decisions regarding the City's physical development. The General Plan Map (above) illustrates the general distribution and location of land-uses for housing, business, industry and open space.

The Chandler Blvd. Bikeway Project involves the construction of a 4-mile bikeway within the Chandler Blvd. former railroad right-of-way connecting the Regional Intermodal Transportation Center with the North Hollywood Metro Red Line Station. The project will remove the railroad tracks, ties and ballast as well as the existing landscaping along Chandler Blvd. from Mariposa St. to Clybourn Ave. Adjoining bikeway and pedestrian paths will be constructed where the tracks currently exist. The remaining median will be irrigated and landscaped with grass and trees.

**1. Update all the Mandated Elements of the City's General Plan:**

- ▶ Land Use Element
- ▶ Housing Element
- ▶ Transportation Element
- ▶ Open Space Element
- ▶ Safety Element
- ▶ Noise Element
- ▶ Conservation Element

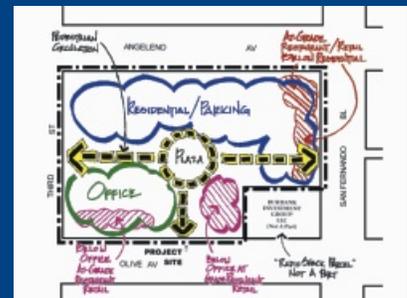
**2. Encourage the development of mixed-use projects, which incorporate market-rate housing that supports commercial efforts in the Downtown and designated commercial corridors as a tool of economic development while maintaining an appropriate balance of infrastructure including schools and parks.**



3. Develop and implement policies and programs that foster responsible and prudent growth-management in all aspects of City development, which includes revisions to the City zoning and subdivision codes.
4. Continue the present efforts to develop neighborhood protection plans and organizations that address neighborhood concerns (i.e. Rancho, Hillside, Magnolia Park, Rancho Providencia, Toluca Lake).
5. Routinely follow-up on the effectiveness of Neighborhood Protection Plans (speed humps, chokers, medians and signage).
6. Enhance code enforcement to assure safety and protect property values in the residential and commercial areas, particularly with respect to eliminating eyesores that include poorly maintained parking lots, abandoned vehicles, trash and debris, as well as to ensure full compliance with conditions of discretionary approvals, such as planned developments, conditional use permits, second-dwelling units, and variances.
7. Complete the Chandler Blvd. Bikeway Project, which includes the improved landscaping of grass and trees along the median.



Neighborhood Protection Plans (NPPs) are utilized to mitigate the impacts of traffic resulting from the City's rapid growth. Chokers such as the one displayed above are means to mitigate traffic as well as improve the appearance of the neighborhood.



The City Centre Project Area (Downtown Burbank) continues to strengthen and evolve with the completion of the Media Village (mixed-use retail, restaurant and senior housing) and the opening of new restaurants in the area. Mixed-use projects help facilitate the pedestrian atmosphere of the Burbank Village. The conceptual plan for the re-use of the old Police Block (above) is another mixed-use project scheduled for the Downtown.

8. Complete a master plan related to the removal and replacement of street trees that have reached their life expectancy and/or are varietals planted in the wrong location.
9. Develop an Underground Master Plan that gradually eliminates overhead utility lines from residential areas.
10. Continue to monitor activities at the nearby Los Angeles Equestrian Center to protect the surrounding neighborhood from excessive traffic, noise and other potential problems.
11. Develop and implement policies and programs that support the availability of affordable housing as well as a diverse range of housing options in the community through such varied means as acquisition and rehabilitation projects with the Burbank Housing Corporation, assistance to support the continued development of special needs housing, and the City's Mortgage Assistance Program (MAP).

The first Housing and Childcare Center Demonstration Project located in the Golden State neighborhood near the Airport was recently approved by the City Council. The developer, M. David Paul, will be developing 20 small-lot single-family homes along with an 8,600 square foot childcare center. The 20 homes are designed as a cluster



housing project typified by small lots offset by adjacent common open space areas. The childcare center is a one-story building that can accommodate 92 children. These homes will offer new, affordable homeownership opportunities, provide more stability into this multi-family neighborhood as well as offer an opportunity to help alleviate a shortage of quality childcare in the City.

12. Encourage the development of additional and affordable housing projects for disabled individuals.
13. Expand the rehabilitation program to allow room additions to alleviate overcrowding and expand the concept exemplified by the Golden State Beautification Area of creating focus neighborhoods, such as the Lake area.
14. Working with the Burbank Housing Corporation, identify poorly managed, substandard properties in Burbank for acquisition/rehabilitation.
15. Strive to achieve a healthy balance between ownership and rental for all newly constructed dwelling units over the next ten years.

With increasing housing costs, along with an increasing population, the City remains committed to providing affordable housing opportunities.



The City is working with United Cerebral Palsy for the development of a residential housing project for the disabled. Affordable housing for disabled individuals will continue to be a priority over the next decade.